

# SUPERFLUOUS EXPRESSION





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#### Superfluous means more than what is needed.

## Synonym Redundant

See the following common expressions but the word given in bracket makes the following superfluous.

- 1. Toll (tax) 6. Visible (to the eyes)
- 2. Family (member) 7. Audible (to the ears)
- 3. (Respected) Sir/Madam 8. (12 O'clock) noon/midnight.
- 4. (Usual) custom/tradition/practice 9. 6 pm (in the evening)
- 5. (Hidden/Sudden) ambush. 10. Sole/toe (of the feet)

Ambush - the act of hiding and waiting and then suddenly attacking. (घात लगा कर हमला करना



- 11. Short/Tall (in height)
- 12. Fair/dark (in complexion)
- 13. Few/many (in number)
- 14. Little/much (in quantity)
- 15. Green/red etc (in colour)
- 16. Weather (condition)
- 17. (total/complete) catastrophe.
- 18. (Unexpected) surprise/ shock
- 19. (Small) Iota/Speck

- 20. (Sudden) impulse
- 21. (Still) remain/persist.
- 22. (Safe) haven
- 23. 'The reason why.....because' (replace 'because' with 'that')
- 24. Round (in shape) (applicable to all shapes)
- 25. (Pre) Recorded
- 26. Twins (sisters/brothers)

Catastrophe - complete destruction (सर्वनाश)
Iota - very small in quantity

(बहुत थोड़ा सा)

Speck - Very small in size (बहुत छोटा)

Impulse - sudden strong desire (आवेश)

Persist -

- continue to do (अड़े रहना)

Haven - a safe place where one is protected from danger.

(स्रक्षित स्थान)



- 27. (Past) experience/history/record
- 28. Mutual friend (Replace mutual with common)
- 29. PAN/PIN (Number)
- 30. HIV (virus)
- 31. ATM (machine)
- 32. EVM (machine)
- 33. Cousin (Brother/Sister)

- 34. (Old) adage/cliche/ tradition/ proverb.
- 35. (Overused) Platitude/cliche.
- 36. (Past) nostalgia.
- 37. Meet (each other/ one another)
- 38. Mix/Join (together)
- 39. (Original) native
- 40. (Local) resident
- 41. Retrospect (the past)

Cliche/platitude — a phrase used for so long that it is no longer effective. (घिसी पिटी कहावत) Adage — old and famous saying. (पुरानी कहावत) (Eg- Honesty is the best polity)
Nostalgia — pleasure and sadness caused by

remembering something from past.

Native — Original (मूल)

Retrospect — A review of the past course of events (बीती घटना का अवलोकन)



- 42. (Major/Big) feat/breakthrough.
- 43. Introspect (myself/yourself etc.)
- 44. (Big) Blunder (mistake)
- 45. Lag (behind)
- 46. (Free) gift.
- 47. (Unpleasant) shock
- 48. Bold (headed)

- 49. (Final) conclusion / outcome / Judgement
- 50. (End) result.
- 51. abolish / eradicate / uproot (completely)
- 52. Drop (down)
- 53. Earlier/later (in time)

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Breakthrough — First important success. (प्रथम महत्वपूर्ण सफलता)
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Feat — Remarkable achievement. (शानदार/बड़ी उपलब्धि)

Lag — Fail to keep up with others. (पीछे रह जाना)

Abolish - उन्मूलन करना

Eradicate - जड़ से खत्म करना

Uproot – जड़ से उखाड़ देना



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54.	Circu	late	(around)

60. (close) proximity/intimacy

55. Commute (to and fro)

61. (Exact) replica/facsimile

56. (Own) autobiography

62. Merge (together)

57. (Brief) moment/summary

63. Exceed (more than)

58. (special) expertise

64. (Angry) mob

59. (Real/ Actual) facts

Commute — To travel regularly to and from a place.

Proximity/Intimacy — Closeness (नजदीकी)

Replica/facsimile — Exact copy

Brief - क्षणिक

Moment - क्षण

Mob – गुस्साई भीड़



#### 65. 'More' and 'Most' cannot come with:

Everlasting<sup>1</sup>, Forever<sup>1</sup>, Eternal<sup>1</sup>, Ubiquitous<sup>2</sup>, Universal<sup>2</sup>, Unique<sup>3</sup>, Prime<sup>4</sup>, Fatal<sup>5</sup>, Deadly<sup>5</sup>, Lethal<sup>5</sup>, Minor<sup>6</sup>, Major, Final, Triangular, Parallel, Oval, Square, Rectangular, Round, Perfect, Free, Empty, Supreme<sup>7</sup>, Paramount<sup>7</sup>, Excellent<sup>8</sup>, Ulterior<sup>9</sup>, Complete<sup>10</sup>, Mortal<sup>11</sup>

- 66. Do not use 'again' with the given words:

  repeat, recapitulate<sup>12</sup>, recall<sup>13</sup> reborn, rebuilt, revise.
- 67. Do not use 'back' with the following words:

  Recall, retreat<sup>14</sup>, return<sup>14</sup>, recede, reimburse<sup>15</sup>.

- 1. हमेशा के लिए
- 2. सार्वभौमिक
- 3. अपने जैसा सिर्फ एक
- 4. सबसे ज्यादा महत्त्वपूर्ण
- 5. घातक
- 6. छोटा
- 7. सबसे ऊपर
- 8. उत्कृष्ट
- 9. छिपा हुआ
- 10. पूर्ण
- 11. नश्वर
- 12. Revise
- 13. वापस बुलाना
- 14. पीछे हटना
- 15. फिर से पूर्ति कर देना



## Correct the following sentences if needed-

- 1. Suppose if you see a tiger, what will you do?
- 2. Despite of being ill, he came to take the test.
- 3. The result is being awaited for.
- 4. It was a mutual agreement between the two parties.
- 5. The dress what I wanted to buy is not available here.
- 6. The thief has fled away.
- 7. The job wasn't interesting but on contrary it was well paid.
- 8. He said to me "Could you repeat the question?"
  - (a) He asked me to please repeat the question.
  - (b) He requested me if I could repeat the question
  - (c) He requested me to repeat the question.
  - (d) He asked me to if I could repeat the question.



## Correct the following sentences if needed-

- 9. Unless he will not mend his ways, I will not help him.
- 10. He denied that he had not stolen my watch.
- 11. He did not deny that he had stolen my watch.
- 12. I suddenly came across with my friend.
- 13. I came across with my childhood friend.
- 14. When I approached near the counter, the clerk frowned.
- 15. He is a family member.
- 16. He kept vomiting throughout the whole night.
- 17. I attended a reception party last night.
- 18. This book comprises of ten chapters.
- 19. If I will see him, I will talk to him.
- 20. Let me recapitulate the main points again.



## Correct the following sentences if needed-

- 21. Run fast lest we should not miss the train.
- 22. The politicians keep retracting back from their statements.
- 23. He is more faster than the other runner.
- 24. A strong breeze blew away my cap.
- 25. Before doing anything, think first.
- 26. This is beyond of the jurisdiction of the court.
- 27. He left India with bag and baggage.
- 28. It was raining like cats and dogs.
- 29. I fought with tooth and nail.
- 30. I entered into the room.
- 31. They cannot be able to do this.
- 32. The reason why I did not come was because I was unwell.



#### Answers

- 1. Remove 'if'.
- 2. Remove 'of'
- 3. Remove 'for'.
- 4. Remove 'mutual' and change 'a' into 'an'.
- 5. Remove 'the dress' or change 'what' into 'that'.
- 6. Remove 'away'.
- 7. Remove 'on contrary'.
- 8. (C)
- 9. Omit 'will not'. Change 'mend' into 'mends'.
- 10. Remove 'not'.
- 11. No error
- 12. Remove 'suddenly' and 'with'.
- 13. Remove 'with'.
- 14. Remove 'near'.
- 15. Remove 'a' and 'member'.
- 16. Remove 'whole'.



#### Answers

- 17. Remove 'party'.
- 18. Remove 'of'.
- 19. Remove 'will'.
- 20. Remove 'again'.
- 21. Remove 'not'.
- 22. Remove 'back'.
- 23. Remove 'more'.
- 24. Change 'breeze' into 'wind'.
- 25. Remove 'first'.
- 26. Remove 'of'
- 27. Remove 'with'.
- 28. Remove 'like'.
- 29. Remove 'with'.
- 30. Remove 'into'.
- 31. Remove 'be able to'.
- 32. Change 'because' into 'that'.